

# Board Acts On Student Disorder

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### "CAMPUS KING" CANDIDATES



In the running for 'Campus King' are the following: Left to right: Dean Berg, sponsored by Phi Lambda Chi; Jack Anderson, Sigma Delta Gamma; Merrill Jacobs, Kappa Theta; Bert Phillips, Bib 'n Tucker; and Norbert Rupp, Alpha Omega. Results of the voting, which is being held in College Hall basement, will be announced at the dance tonight.

Photo by Lenore Ricci

### State Footballers Tangle With Whittier Poets At Cox Stadium Tonight. 8 P.M.

Coach Joe Verducci's unbeaten, untied, and unscored upon gridders will play the role of host and slight favorite over the Whittier College Poets in Cox Stadium tonight at 8 p.m.

Whittier Coach George Allen, new to the job last season, will field an outfit composed of 13 returning lettermen and built around Captain Roy Dezember, one of the few seniors on the squad. Dezember, a scatback at 156 lbs., will do most of the running and passing for the Poets.

Operating from the single wing formation, the Whittier squad comes to the Bay area with an impressive 1-0 win-loss record. The Poets looked good last week in defeating a strong Santa Barbara eleven 7-6.

#### WEIGHT SUPREMACY

If weight advantages mean anything the Gators will have the edge in that department. State's backfield averages 180 lbs. as compared to Whittier's 169. In the line the Staters tip the scales at 199 lbs. apiece while the Poets measure 189.

Although Coach Verducci brought his charges through the Pepperdine fray with nary an injury, the Gators wheezed and sputtered to an unimpressive 21-0 win over the southerners last Friday night.

#### FOOTBALL FUNDAMENTALS

Hard drills in football fundamentals have been emphasized in this week's practice. A substantial score tonight will show the fruits of the intensive work.

#### Healy Announces Football Insurance Covers Players

All those playing varsity or junior varsity football will be covered by a blanket insurance policy, according to Jack Healy, administrator of student affairs.

The policy went into effect with the first games of the season. However, there were a number of accidents during pre-season practice. These will cost the Associated Students approximately \$300, according to Healy.

#### GATER CIRCULATION BOX LOCATIONS

Distribution boxes for the Golden Gater are placed at convenient places throughout both campuses.

The boxes are placed in the basement of College Hall, in the main hallway of Frederic Burk building, in front of the Health Center in Anderson Hall, in Anderson Hall 3, and by the Gator Grill ("snack bar") at the new campus.

The Golden Gater may also be obtained at the student body office, Hut 4A. Members of the faculty can get their papers at the information desk, College Hall.

### Campus King Will Be Named Tonite At Wonderland

Voting ends today for this year's "Campus King," who will be crowned tonight at the annual fall football dance, "A Night in Wonderland," sponsored by Alpha Chi Alpha and Delta Phi Gamma.

Voting takes place in the basement of College Hall. Candidates have been submitted by most of the on-campus women organizations.

The candidates are: Bert Phillips, Bib 'n Tucker; Merrill Jacobs, Kappa Theta; Dean Berg, Phi Lambda Chi; Norbert Rupp, Alpha Omega; and Jack Anderson, Sigma Delta Gamma.

The fraternities sponsoring the dance urged all students to cast ballots in the election so as to give a fair representation in the election of the "Campus King." Results will be announced at the dance.

The dance will feature the music of Bob Searles. It is scheduled to follow the Whittier game, from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the new campus gym. Tickets are on sale at 85 cents per person.

### Riley Asks Aid Of Block S To Stop 'Drunken Display'

In an attempt to prevent any repetition of the bleacher occurrences at last Friday's State-Pepperdine game, members of the Block S society were asked this week by President Cec Riley to attend all home football games and help to "maintain order and bleacher control."

Several drunken students, including both Staters and others, attended the game creating what was variously described by bystanders as "a drunken display" accompanied by "a great deal of drinking and obscene language."

Riley's request came in a letter to Harry Redlick, Block S president, which followed a motion by the Board of Directors Tuesday that the Block S be called in to handle the students.

The letter read in part: "The general disorder, drunkenness, and ungentlemanly behavior both at the game and at the dance which followed have created a very critical situation. This situation must be ended if we are to impress our new neighbors at Lake Merced favorably . . . therefore I am requesting the members of the Block S to come to our aid and maintain order and bleacher control at the games. They will be aided by male members of the faculty, and by civil authorities if necessary."

The motion that the Block S be called in followed a discussion by the board about the possibility of calling in more police to attend both the games and the dances. Several policemen are assigned to attend each game, but they are not assigned to the dances. Riley suggested that an attempt be made to handle the problem with S. F. State personnel rather than calling in police aid.

Dean Dorothy Wells told the board, "I feel I can speak for President Leonard in saying the students would have the backing of the administration." Dean Wells stated later, "I am pleased with the student action taken . . ."

### Frosh Class Offices Open For Petition

Petitions for nomination for freshman class officers will be available Friday, October 10, in the student body offices, Hut 4A. All candidates will be requested to submit a written statement of qualifications.

Posts open include those of class president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer.

Petitions will also be available for three members-at-large to the Board of Directors: two under 16 units and one under 32 units.

Elections will be held Thursday, October 23, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Voting at the old campus will take place at the correction room at the Rec Center. New campus voting will be held in the foyer of the men's gym.

The runoff election will be held Wednesday, October 29, in case no candidate receives a majority in the election for any office.

In accordance with regulations of the publicity and bulletin board committees, the following rules will be obeyed:

Each candidate will be limited to five posters. There will be no limit on the number of throw-aways. No banners may be used. No posters may be used inside any building or at the new campus.

### Kampus Kapers' Cast Assembly

Kampus Kapers, San Francisco State's contribution to show business, has urged all interested students to attend its first meeting, on October 7 at 1 p.m. in AA 112.

Those interested in working in the show who cannot attend this meeting should contact Mr. Irving in the Drama department office between 1 and 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, or Friday.

### Marines Offer Flight Training

The Marine Corps has announced that in the future flight training will be opened to persons who are reserve officers and college seniors and graduates enrolled in its Officer Candidate course.

This training is in addition to the Platoon Leaders class already in operation for college students.

This program enables the freshman, sophomore, or junior student who enters it to remain in school, doing passing work on a 15 unit course. The only other requirement is attendance twice at an annual six week training camp.

Following completion of these two camps and graduation from college, a commission of Marine Corps Second Lieutenant is tendered the student. He then starts a two year tour of active duty.

Prerequisites for flight training include 14 weeks of the 20 week basic training course at Quantico Virginia.

Students enrolling in the Platoon Leaders course will be deferred from the draft while they satisfy the requirements of the program.

Those desiring further information may contact Officer Procurement office, USMC, room 32, Federal Office building, Fulton and Market streets, San Francisco.

### Campus Orientation Hailed As Success

Large scale on-campus orientation projects, initiated this fall, surpassed all hopes of success. The realization of this new program of extensive orientation, held September 8 to 11, is one of the main reasons for increased participation and interest evident in campus activities.

Norry Volk was the general chairman of the entire program. George Poquette was in charge of the on-campus orientation with Sam Laird as his assistant, Al Henderson of Frosh Camp, Joe DeVictoria of foreign student orientation, Candy Himes of registration with Carol Krase, Bob Purcell, Dave Ramos and Len Flynn as her assistants.

The first event of the three-day program was a general assembly in the Baptist Church on Monday morning, September 8, for transfer students who had selected their majors. Reginald Bell, Dean of

Instruction, gave an address explaining the instructional programs of the college; John L. Bergstresser, Dean of Students, explained the student personal services; A. Bridgman, the intramural program; and Alan W. Johnson, Associate Dean of Students, the advising, orientation and registration procedures. Evie Benson, Vice-president of the Associated Students, introduced the student body officers and Jack Healy, Administrator of Student Affairs.

In the afternoon an assembly was held at the new campus for new freshman and transfer students who had not selected majors. The program included addresses by John H. Butler, Executive Dean, Dean Bergstresser, Evie Benson, and Dean Johnson. Colonel Hardy gave an explanation of the AFROTC program, and Bridgman and Miss D. Schainwald explained the intramural program and wo-

men's athletic programs. Following the assembly the new students were taken on a tour of the new campus by student advisors.

Wednesday's agenda began with an informal rally sponsored by the Sophomore Class council. Norry Volk gave the welcome address to all new students and sang his repertoire of songs accompanying himself. Barbara Ebner, a new freshman, sang "With A Song In My Heart" and "Cuanta La Gusta." Don Johnson, former ASSFSC student body president, Bert Phillips, Activities Commissioner, and Al Henderson talked to the group about frosh camp and school spirit. The remainder of the rally consisted of short interviews with several freshmen by George Poquette, and singing school songs and giving school yells. After the rally the students took part in table tennis and basketball games. A "Hello (Continued on Page Three)



## Cat-Hunting Herb Colton Finds Function Of 'Feeler'

By HERB COLTON

It was less than a fortnight ago, during a black panther hunt in the wilds of Marin county that I received a bit of information that may affect your behavior in a large group situation. I pass it on to you for what it may be worth.

Rudy Samson and I were stalking this beast when we lost sight of it just south of Cotati; the black panther was last seen heading appropriately toward the Black Point Cut-off. Now this here Rudy Samson is what is known as a Big Man around campus. Whenever I feel that I am becoming an ivory-towered academic bore I go right out and start feeling public pulses. I took the opportunity of the lull in the hunt to question Mr. Sampson about what's with the campus for the fall semester.

### FINE TEAM

I was regaled at length about what a fine football team State was going to field for "their most ambitious schedule." Rudy went on to tell me of the part the rooters' section was going to play in bringing in a winner. He was quite enthusiastic about this rooter-player relationship. I thought that here was an opportunity for me to get to the very heart of the question. Many words have been printed and many more spoken by the coaches in pre-game rallies about "our team goes out to do and die for you and they wouldn't mind doing it if you'll give them 100 per cent of your vocal capacity."

"But" I said to Rudy, "what part are you to play in all this?" Rudy says, "Well I'm sort of a yell leader." Now I've been raised in a conventional era where a yell leader was a yell leader. "Now, Rudy, you are either a yell leader or you are not a yell leader," I pleaded. Somewhat sheepishly Rudy admitted that he wasn't a bonafide cheer leader. He said, "I'm not really a yell leader, but sort of a 'feeler'." "A 'feeler'!" I exclaimed. "Wotin-ell is a 'feeler'!" "A 'feeler'," he says "is a guy who sits quietly and unsuspectingly like in the grandstand and 'feels' how everybody wants to yell."

Rudy went on to tell me how in the past it was discovered by some female that just happened to

know how football was played that a rooting section should not holler "charge" when the opposition has the ball on your own team's two yard line. Too, it is in bad taste to shout "hold that line" when State may be trying to crack a stiff Whittier defense.

### "TAKE OFF THAT..."

Well, the people in charge are putting R. Samson right smack in the middle of the rooting section to find out what YOU want to yell about. If you want to yell "take off that red rayon shantung stole" you are going to get a controlled group in operation. Can't you just hear a thousand wildeyed rooters chanting "take off that red-rayon shantung stole?" In all that fog, too.

## I.R.C. Committee Vacancies Filled At Exec Meeting

The executive committee of the I.R.C. held a meeting in room AA6, Tuesday, to fill the vacancies existing within the committee itself, and to make up the agenda for the item which will be discussed by the general membership on Tuesday, October 7.

Mohammed Saffar, president, appointed Joe DeVictoria, CCUN chairman, Andy Bisbee as SWAC representative, and Lillian Gonshaw, fall semester Newsletter editor.

Mr. Saffar also announced that the I.R.C.'s reception will be held in the Activities room, College Hall 106, on Thursday, October 9. All students interested are invited to attend.

## Letters To The Editor

Editor:

The two articles featuring Frosh Camp were very well done, and you are to be congratulated on your coverage of this most successful inaugural event.

We must, however, criticize the Gater severely for completely ignoring the dozens of other students involved in the Fall Orientation Program. There was a staff of 18 students who so ably conducted the Frosh Camp, and there were 83 new students who benefited immeasurably from this worthwhile experience. There were 95 students who participated in the Orientation Program here at the college, and some 1,400 new students who met people, learned about the college, and had genuine, friendly assistance during their first five days here.

That these many students did not receive any publicity for their efforts and activities is grossly unfair to them and to the total Orientation Program of the college. The student leadership in all of these Orientation activities was of a high caliber, and equal credit should have gone to all.

The whole plan of student participation in Orientation is a new one. This fall's activities represented a successful beginning of a large and important student-cen-

tered program. But little thanks has gone to many of those students who did a fine job, and this will not help the cause of future Orientation Programs.

How can the Associated Students effectively plan and implement a program for Orientation if their student newspaper does not credit equally for their extremely valuable work students who have helped in all phases of the program?

DEAN DOROTHY E. WELLS  
DEAN ALAN W. JOHNSON

(Editor's note: The story on orientation was set in type previous to this issue, but mechanical difficulties prevented its publication heretofore. The story is to be found on page one of this issue. It is not the Golden Gater's policy to withhold credit when due.

## CAMPUS ORIENTATION HAILED AS SUCCESS

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Day Dance," also sponsored by the Sophomore Class council, was given from 1 to 5 p.m. in the new campus gym. Dick McElroy, then Sophomore president, Gayle Murray, secretary - treasurer, and Hal Spady, present Sophomore president, were in charge of the day's events.

On Thursday, the final day of orientation, the frosh met with their individual advisors at the old campus. After the interviews, student advisors accompanied the new Staters on a tour of the old campus.

The student advisors aided the G. E. advisors during Frosh registration and were a great help in reducing the work of the overburdened advisors. There was a good turnout of student help at registration and despite the unavoidable difficulties connected with registration, the process ran smoothly. The cooperation of the student leaders and the participation of the new students is evidence of the success of the newly inaugurated orientation program. —By Diane Heagerty.

### Opera Tickets Available

Tickets to forthcoming productions of the San Francisco Opera Company are available at \$3 each in the Associated Students business office, Hut 4A.

Following is a list of scheduled presentations for the coming opera season:

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October 8—Il Trovatore  
October 12—La Fille du Regiment  
October 15—La Boheme  
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## EDITORIAL

### Foundation For Success

With the opening of the fall semester, a new era has begun for the Associated Students of San Francisco State College.

In the past, the student organization functioned on a shaky financial basis, dependent upon voluntary student subscription. The inconsistency of the Associated Students' program resulted in a small degree of participation, this, principally, by the service fraternities and sororities. Thus, the program was extremely limited.

With the inception of the universal student membership card last spring, a firm base for Associated Students' expansion came into existence. Then only the need for active student participation remained. The rise of the new campus at Lake Merced promised an increase in enrollment at State. But how to direct the enthusiasm and energy of a large group of new students to the benefit of the student organization at the college? The answer, it was concluded by several student leaders, was to lay in an orientation program through which the new student might find a place for himself on campus to both his own and the college's benefit.

Through the efforts of Norry Volk, Al Henderson, George Poquette, Candy Himes, Bert Phillips, Joe De Victoria, and many others in conjunction with those of Deans Johnson, Wells, and Bergstresser, and Miss Jean Bunnell, the orientation became a reality.

That the program was effective has become apparent in the acceleration of the Associated Students' activities schedule. Large numbers of enthusiastic Frosh have turned out to enlist in this schedule. The move is unprecedented. Many activities which have been curtailed in the past because of insufficient participation are once again under way. An extensive Frosh enrollment in the yearbook staff course promises a resurrection of the Franciscan which has been defunct since 1950.

Many other examples might be given which point to a great future for the Associated Students. The orientation program, undoubtedly, is the foundation on which this future will be built. Those who made this program possible have performed a nimmeasurable service for both the college and the student organization.

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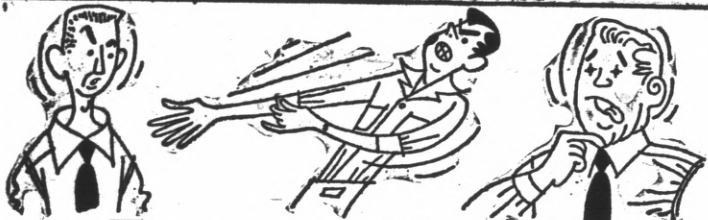
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# Gator Gridders Seek Second Win Tonight

## GRANT'S TOME

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By HAL GRANT

### MONEY MAKER

The attendance figures from last Friday's Pepperdine-State football game were very gratifying. A record crowd of 4,200 saw the Gators win their opening contest. There were 900 paid admissions with a gross gate of approximately \$1,200 and a net take of \$600.

For those limited students who wish to see this year's games a special card can be purchased in Hut 4A. This card sells for \$3 and entitles the bearer to a reduced admission to all athletic contests and other college functions.

### NIGHT CROSS COUNTRY

Tentative plans have been made to have this year's San Francisco State Cross Country Invitational meet at Cox Stadium on November 1. The race would be held at night in conjunction with the Chico State-S. F. State homecoming football game.

The University of California, Chico State, and San Jose have already been invited to field teams in this event. The proposed race, the first of its kind in State College history, would begin on the Lake Merced trail. The harriers would run completely around Lake Merced and then down into the stadium, finishing with two laps around the track.

Trophies and ribbons would be awarded to the winners by Alpha Phi Gamma, National Honorary Coeducational Journalism fraternity at State. The APGers are sponsoring the event this year.

### ADD SAD SITUATIONS ON CAMPUS

The Foster and Kleiser billboard at the entrance to the new campus could be a great aid in publicizing the '51 Gator football schedule. It stands today, however, totally devoid of any advertising.

### PIGSKIN PROGNOSTICATIONS:

This week's gridball experts are Len Flynn, Junior Class President, and Dale Tussing, Golden Gater News Editor. According to these self-styled experts "follow these and you can't go wrong." In the State-Whittier contest Flynn says, State 28, Whittier 13. Tussing also takes the Gators but by a 28-7 margin. As far as the Cal-Minnesota fracas is concerned both boys believe that Cal will stomp the Swedes. Dale predicts Cal 42, Minnesota 14. (Dale lives in Berkeley.) Len is more conservative with a 28-13 prediction. Up north in Seattle the Huskies take on the Bruins. Flynn picks the Washingtonians by a 21-20 count, Tussing favors the UCLANS by 28-20 score.

On the professional scene in Dallas, the 49ers clash with the Dallas Pros. On this issue Tussing predicts the 49ers by a 42 to 21 margin. Flynn agrees with the outcome, but feels the 49ers will win by a 35-14 score.

In addition to his duties as coach of the South San Francisco Windbreakers, former State JV chief Joe Moore is also in command of the Moffett Field Flyer football squad. It was that same Moffett aggregation that the Gators so emphatically squashed by a 40-6 count in a two hour scrimmage.

### TENTH BEST

Our stock in TV went up 100 per cent last week when we saw a sportscast sponsored by Dairy Bell Milk Company that rated San Francisco State's gridiron club as the tenth best in California. They placed us ahead of San Jose State and Fresno State. And further more, they predicted that the Gators would rise to seventh place among California teams within the next three years. They added that State's progress was the result of our outstanding coaching staff.

### SPORTS SHORTS

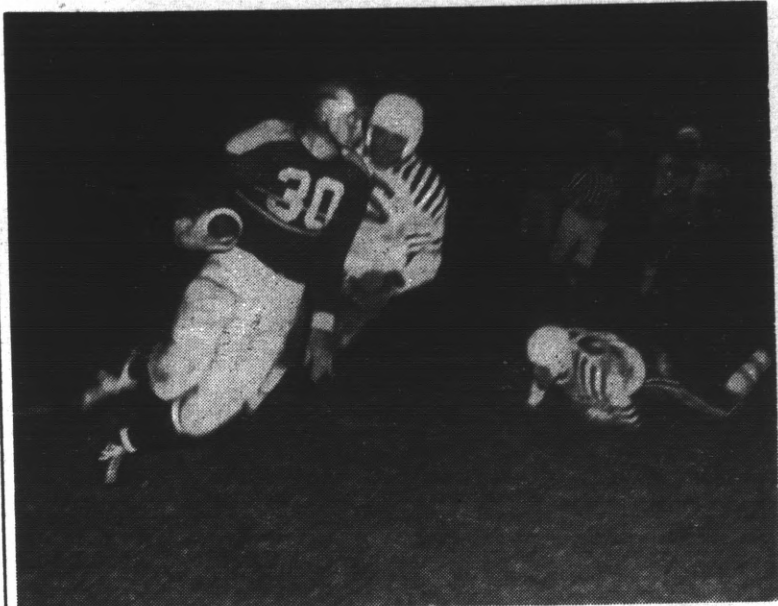
#### CONTRAST

In a 1936 basketball game between the House of David and Wesleyan, of Tennessee, "Tiny" Reichert, House of David center, measured 8 feet 1 inch. Opposing him: "Pee Wee" Pruett—4 feet 4 inches.

#### LONG TIME

Seven unassisted triple plays have been made in major league history, the last one 25 years ago, on May 31, 1927, in Detroit. Cleveland's Glenn Myatt and Charlie Jamieson were on base through a walk and infield single, Homer Summa lined to Ulen, who stepped on first base, pursued and tagged Myatt. Detroit won, 1-0.

## O'Shea Pulls In Duncan's 55 Yd. Pass For First TD



With 55 seconds remaining in the first half, Maury Duncan dropped back to his own fifteen yard line and tossed a 55 yard aerial to half-back John O'Shea, (30), who is pictured above outmaneuvering Pepperdine halfback, Bob Ferguson, (25), for the first Gator touchdown in last Friday night's fray.—Photo by Lenore Ricci

### MURAL NOTES

## News Staff Edges Tri-Omega 42-31; Harkness Announces Fall Program

A "never say die" News Staff A.C. basketball quintet stomped the Tri-Omega fraternity five 42-31 last Tuesday night to inaugurate this year's intramural basketball competition.

Tuesday's contest was a non-league game. Regular league contests will commence on Oct. 3.

The Tri-Omegans assumed an early lead, and at half-time led by an 18-14 count.

The youth and vitality of the News Staffers, however, proved too much for the aging Tri-Omegans to cope with in the second half. At the end of the third quarter the paper boys had piled up a 42 to 24 lead. The Tri-Omegans rallied in the closing minutes of the game, but to no avail.

Jim Connolly of the News Staff was high point man with 14 markers.

Mr. Harkness and Mr. Bridgman, co-directors of the intra-mural program, recently announced the following program of activities for the fall semester.

Oct. 3—Basketball begins

### Block 'S' Picnic Set For Oct. 5 At Adobe Creek

Adobe Creek Lodge has been chosen as the site for the Block S picnic which will be held on Sunday, October 5, the organization's president, Harry Redlick, announced this week.

Cost of the affair which commences at 11 a.m. will be \$1.20 per person, a special rate offered the group by the management of the lodge. Members will be admitted upon presentation of a Block S membership card. Assessment will be made at a later date.

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| 4   | Phil Spivey    | 200 | L.G. |
| 48  | Bill Greene    | 197 | C.   |
| 16  | Jack Killian   | 182 | R.G. |
| 54  | Ben Hartunian  | 201 | R.T. |
| 26  | Bill Harris    | 193 | R.E. |
| 20  | Hal Jones      | 170 | Q.   |
| 5   | Roy Dezember   | 156 | L.H. |
| 10  | Rod Burroughs  | 180 | R.H. |
| 17  | Gordon Siemens | 176 | F.   |

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|-----|------------------|-----|------|
| 87  | El Endriss       | 205 | L.E. |
| 74  | Gene Anderson    | 215 | L.T. |
| 63  | George Zerkovich | 190 | L.G. |
| 51  | Dick Amandoli    | 195 | C.   |
| 86  | Merrill Jocab    | 190 | R.E. |
| 68  | Don Morrettini   | 200 | R.G. |
| 73  | Bob Foote        | 200 | R.T. |
| 12  | Maury Duncan     | 185 | Q.   |
| 20  | Bob Luallhati    | 160 | L.H. |
| 30  | John O'Shea      | 187 | R.H. |
| 33  | John Fortson     | 187 | F.   |

### JV Footballers Tackle E. Contra Costa Tomorrow

The Junior Gators again take to the road tomorrow night, traveling to Martinez to clash with East Contra Costa JC.

This week the JV's should be a different club than the one that lost to Yuba 26-7 last Saturday. During this week's practice the Boys have been concentrating on football fundamentals.

Some of the stand-outs in this week's drills were Edgar Buchanan, Bob Springer, Alan Swift, Paul Rau, and Pete Barone.

### BASKETBALL TODAY

There will be a non-league basketball game from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the new campus gym today between the Marin A.C. and the Gator A.C. Both of these clubs are newly organized.

The Marin A.C. is co-captained by Jim Samuels and Dan Caldwell, while the Gators are being led by Art Hamilton and Clarence Mehrwein.

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# Neither Belle Nor Wallflower: Prix Winner Dislikes "System"

The winning story in the 1951 Vogue-sponsored Prix de Paris contest is printed below. The little essay, we believe, is at least one insight into a problem of social relationships. Information concerning this year's Prix de Paris contest, which offers as first prize a year-long job with Vogue magazine in Paris and New York, may be found in the September 17 edition of the Golden Gator—Ed.

By Catherine Cheremetreff

We went back to the dance floor. It was now eleven o'clock, and we had been together almost constantly since four o'clock that afternoon, when my date had met me at the train. Neither he nor I could find anything more to say to each other. The smile that had come so naturally to me at the beginning of the dance hurt my mouth now. Every dance, whether samba or fox trot, seemed the same, just a pattern through which he was leading me . . . I was at a college dance, the first event in a supposedly gay spring week-end; and I was hopelessly, dreadfully stuck.

Why? Because of the System. I was not a wallflower; there are no wallflowers at college or school dances in 1952. If a girl can't find somebody to ask her to the dance, she stays at home. But, there are no belles either, under the System—because there are no extra men, no stags to cut in. Boys who haven't invited girls to the dance just don't come. The System, as it is currently practised, demands that all school or college social events be built around the couple, the date, and that the boy and girl involved in this date (even though it's their first) must dance or sit out every dance together. I and my date were typical victims of the System.

## MELTING POT

I thought, wistfully, of descriptions I'd heard from my friends' older sisters, of college dances before World War II. In those days (they said) each girl had a dance card, filled out ahead of time by her escort with the names of his roommates and friends. Or he, his friends, and their girls, all shared

a big table and exchanged dances. The boys who didn't have dates came to the dance anyway, as stags. If you were a belle, you got cut in on every fifty feet or so; even if you were a near-belle, you met dozens of boys in an evening. That was the point of a dance: to be a sort of melting-pot, a big cocktail shaker in which young people and good music were whirled around together to make a gay evening . . . But then the war came. The stag lines vanished. And the System seized every campus in the country in an iron grip.

## DOUBLE-CUTTING?

Still, I thought (as I trudged through the ninth samba), 1952 isn't 1942. Can't we start getting away from the System? Can't we devise some way of changing partners occasionally? How about the old dancing-school expedient of double cutting?

At that moment, I spotted one of the couples we'd had dinner with, earlier in the evening (it seemed like years ago). Rashly, I suggested that we double cut with them. I shouldn't have done it. My date resented it, and felt that I had snubbed him. After the dance, we had a stupid fight. The week end was a failure for both of us; I took the next train back, and I've never heard from him again. I had tried to beat the System, and I had failed.

## YOU CAN'T WIN

In this mornings mail, I got an invitation to a week end at another college, this autumn. There'll be a football game—and a big dance. The Senior who has invited me is awfully nice and I feel very flattered that he should have asked me . . . But I don't think I'll go. You can't beat the System. Or can you?

## S. F. Bach Choir Presents Brahms Concert Sunday

The San Francisco Bach Choir, conducted by Waldemar Jacobsen, will present Brahms "Requiem" on Sunday, October 5, at 8 p.m. in the Calvary Presbyterian Church, Fillmore and Jackson streets.

## Hilder's Band To Be At Opening Of Rec. Center

The Recreation center will hold its grand opening on Tuesday, October 7, from 12 to 2 p.m.

A dance will be held from 1 'till 2 p.m., featuring Charlie Hilder and his Air Force band. Recreation activities will be held from 12 to 1 p.m.

The center will be open for the duration of the semester at the old campus from 12 to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A Recreation center will also open at the new campus, when Hut 5AB is completed. It will offer recreation activities to students daily between 12:40 and 2:40 p.m.

## Former Golden Gator Editor Vi Giesen Releases Recording-'My Chick-a-Dee'

Viola E. "Vi" Giesen, outstanding editor of the Golden Gator "way back when" the name of the Gator was changed from "The Bay Leaf," has received widespread recognition for her activities as a songwriter, it was learned recently.

Her most recent recording, "My Chick-a-Dee," on the Horizon label, received most favorable comment in the local press, and has successfully broken into TV.

While at State, the songstress edited the first Golden Gator to win All-America honors in jour-

nalism. She was vice-president of the student body and held several other offices.

## Script Books Available For Economy - Minded

Script Books, considerably reducing costs in the student cafeteria, are available to all student body card holders, according to Jack Healy, administrator of student affairs.

The books are on sale in the cafeteria. A \$4.50 book allows a student food purchases valuing \$5.

## Giachetti: Voters' Apathy Endangers Democracy

When I came from Italy, not long ago, many people were anxious to know the situation in Europe after the second World War. They were surprised because the populations of many European countries became free but, as they told me, apparently had not changed their way of life, and continue to believe in dictatorship and in the false promises of demagogues, especially the "leaders of the Communist party."

"Why don't the people like Democracy?"

"Why is the Communist Party so strong?"

## INCREDIBLE SITUATION

I tried to explain that I was deeply convinced that the European people like Democracy and liberty, but the general situation was, and is today, so complex, disastrous, and, to say the least, incredible.

But they do not believe me.

Of course, I am sure, it is very hard for the American people to understand and one might say: Many millions of misery-stricken people in Europe do not ask for cars, refrigerators, television sets and everything else which are considered essential by many to the American way of life.

They, many times, do not have a place to work and live like human beings, and when their children cry: "I'm hungry," they do not have something to give in answer.

A few days ago, I read on the editorial page of the San Francisco News, of September 20, an article written by George Gallup, the director of the American Institute of Public Opinion. I was very surprised and disappointed to find that many people in the United States do not realize the great importance, not only for Americans but for all the world, to participate in the general elections next November.

## BEST ARGUMENT

George Gallup says the best argument to get people to vote Republican is it's time for a change, and the argument to get people to vote Democratic is the country has never been so prosperous as under the present Democratic Party—so why take a chance on the G.O.P.

The public's ideas of the best argument for voting Republican are the following: Time for a change, four per cent; Eisenhower's excellent qualities, eleven per cent; corruption in Washington, six per cent; too much government spending and budget must be balanced, five per cent; Republicans would reduce taxes, four per cent; less chance of war under G.O.P. could handle Korea better, four per cent; miscellaneous, ten per cent; don't know or no argument, 41 per cent.

The public's ideas on the best arguments for voting Democratic: "Prosperity, high standard of liv-

ing, 18 per cent; Democrats are better for the people, better for working man, 13 per cent; Democratic record is good, Democrats are experienced, eight per cent; Stevenson's excellent qualities, four per cent; more social security, social welfare under Democrats; two per cent; miscellaneous, five per cent; don't know or no argument; 50 per cent.

Recently I wrote many articles in the "L'ITALIA," Italian Daily News of San Francisco, and I always requested the people to go to the polls, because the vote is the arm of Democracy, the right and duty of all citizens.

Somebody told me the Gallup Poll was completely wrong in the last general elections, and I sincerely hope that it will be wrong again, because, when the people do not realize or understand the privilege of living in a democracy and do not use the rights of liberty, without a doubt, I think democracy is in danger.

By Ugo Giachetti

## James Jordan, Ex-Stater, Is Lieutenant In Korea

First Lieutenant James R. Jordan, who formerly attended San Francisco State, is serving with the 2nd Infantry Division.

Jordan is a motor officer with Service Company of the 23rd Infantry Regiment in Korea.

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